WOULD BUY HER INDEPENDENCE AT

A REASONABLE PRICE.

SO SAYS PRESIDENT CISNEROS.

MADE A FORMAL STATEMENT TO

SYLVESTER SCOVEL.

American Intervention Would Be Ac-

cepted, Providing the Sovereignty

of Cuba Be Not Infringed

Thereby-B. T. John-

son's Savage Letter.

New York, Feb. 23.-The World will pub-

Most Important Document of the Cuban

War," an autograph letter written to that

paper by Salvator Cisneros, president of the provisional government of the Cubans,

and countersigned by Maximo Gomez, the

general-in-chief. The letter was approved

by the so-called cabinet of the provisions

fant republic. It is as follows:

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government and bears the seal of the in-

"At the request of your correspondent,

we have the greatest pleasure in answer-

ing the following questions:
"Do you believe that the war can be

ended on the basis of independence on the payment of an indemnity by Cuba to

Spain, with the United States as arbi-

"On the basis of independence, it will be possible to enter into negotiations. These

should provide for the evacuation of the

island by the Spanish and for the future

relations between Spain and the new

Cutan republic. We believe there should also be included an indemnity to be paid

Spain, provided the amount is reasonable.

good for all. But, if done, it should be done as soon as possible. The indemnity would prevent the further loss of blood and

of money, and it would save the econom

ing capacity of the country will be de-stroyed. Cuba can pay less as time passes,

not only because each moment she earns less, but it will be increasingly difficult

for her to fulfill the stipulation and agree-

ments she is now able to make. The in-

the acknowledgment and guaranty by Cuba

of a part of the debt already contracted by

Spain, or the payment of a sum in bonds or in money to Spain. We would not deem

it inadvisable for the United States to in-

the friend of both sides, providing, always, that the island of Cuba shall not sacrifice

"We are yours in the greatest considera-ion. SALVATOR CISNEROS, Y. B.

the Pro-Spain Sentiment in the

"Sancti Spiritus, January 27, 1897.

"MAXIMO GOMEZ, Dagomal,

thereby her own sovereignty.

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would be honorable, practicable and

EDITORS BREAK AWAY

OUT OF THE JANGLE OF PACTIONS COMES A NEW PARTY.

HAS A HIGH-SOUNDING NAME.

THE UNITED REFORM CALLS ASSOCIATION. the Olive Branch of Had Ex andervoort Faction, g ed Down, and

The Populrs who were opposed to the rule of Paul Vandervoort, of Omaha, and are favorable to fusion with the Democracy, organized last evening at the Ashland hotel the United Reform Press Asociation, with twenty-four members, and chose as officers the following:

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celded to Go

President-James R. Sovereign, Sulphur Springs, Ark. Vice president-J. M. Gass, Des Moines, Ia. Secretary and treasurer-Warwick Saunders, Columbus, Neb. Executive committee - Frank Crichter,



Who Has Kicked Up the Liveliest Kind of a Populistic Row.

Ciauton, Ala.; M. V. Carroll, Lamar, Mo.; G. A. Griffis, Pond Creek, O. T.; A. C. Tal-ley. Greenburg, Mo., and James Gunn, Boise, Id.

Nebraska Member Stays Away. While there were a cost forth of the Populat officers precent at the affecting who felt that there were certain irregularities in the manner of calling the meeting at M-sophis, several of the leading workers falled to join in the action of the others when the new organization was formed. In the number that stayed outside was J. when the new organization was formed. In the number that stayed outside was J. A. Edgerton, of Nebraska, who is national secretary of the Populist committee. He said the organization of a new association meant the prolongation of a fight that ought not to exist, and he preferred to make an effort to heal rather than to widen the breach. Several others counseled caution, but when they were thrust aside, railed, fell in, and joined in the chorus. Others were rampant for the new organization, they were spoiling for a fight, and they thought the Memphis people were easy marks for a victory. Last evening, just prior to adjournment, the association decided to hold its next meeting at Omaha next year, and adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That in organizing this associations we deplore any tendency to divide into factional differences the forces arrayed against plutocratic elements, but we go still further and state it is a part of the organic law of the association to recognize the absolute necessity of forbearance, tofferation and liberality in our words and actions with all natural friends, to the end that the People's party organization and at the sume time favor a co-operation with other friendly bodies, locally or otherwise, to the end that the People's party organization and at the condition counsel the preservation of the People's party organization and at the sume time favor a co-operation with other friendly bodies, locally or otherwise, to the end that the People's party organization and at the propies above party, yet we, as a press association to recognize the many be more beneficial. We hold ourselves in readiness to affiliate and consolidate with the National Reform Press Association for recognization, counsel the preservation of the Carlon of the propies and that the People's party organization and at the propies of the state is and and go into the Democratic party will have cleft us light in the state."

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The second day's session of the National Reform Press Association was but a continuation of the wordy warfare that marked the opening proceedings. There were speeches galore. Words, words, words, howed thick and fast during the whole day and at the end of two days constant talking with innunerable points of order and other technical ideas and practices, there had been practically nothing done. To be sure there had been nunerous opinions expressed, especially by Sditor Prench, of Okiahoma. Mr. French was not in sympathy with the fusion faction, but failed to get transportation to Memphis ware his crowd met and so stopped here.

He has kept several members on the jump during the entire meeting with his persist-He has kept severe meeting with his persistduring the entire meeting with his persistent objections.

The first thing yesterday was to hunt for
harmony and for the purpose of harmonizing with the Memphis delegates the following telegram was sent to the chairman
of the Memphis meeting:

"Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 21.

"To the Høn. Frank Burkitt, President National Reform Press Association, Memphis, Tenn.

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"The Populist editors assembled at Kanmas City send a kindly greeting to their brethren at Memphis. We are not in favor of creating a rival organization, but are anxious to preserve peace and harmony in our ranks. We favor a continuance of the policy under which our party has made such rapid strides. A change of tactics such as has been outlined by some of our prominent members would, in our judgment, be ruinous, and will force the organization of a rival press association, breed discord in our ranks, and might possibly lead to the destruction of the People's party.

"For the welfare of the cause we all have at heart, let us continue to pursue the programme laid down at St. Louis until the same is changed by national convention.

"What will be your test of membership?
"Will members who join the organization at Memphis be required to sever all connection and co-operation with free silver forces in opposition to the policy adopted by our national convention at St. Louis?

"Does your proposition to empower your

"Does your proposition to empower your fficers to expel any member found advo-ating the cause of any other party mean hat any member is to be expelled for ad-ocating co-operation with the free silver orces?"

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"In conclusion, we desire to repeat that re desire unity, we desire to join with you to that there might not be two warring rganizations; but it must be on a basis like honorable to the Populist editors of il sections; on a basis of loyalty to all the rinciples of the People's party; on a basis support, and not antagonism, to the cople's party national organization.

"JAMES GUNN,

"J. A. EDGERTON,

"Committee,"

Peace Offering Rejected.

Vith this vast amount of work disposed the editors adjourned for the morning seion. When they met again at 2:30, the flowing reply was read from the Memphis ming:

reting:
emphis, Tenn., Feb. 23.—To Messrs. Sovergn, Gunn and Edgerton—Gentlemen:—
Nonal Reform Press Association now in selon in this city cordially reciprocates yo expressed desire, "to promote and presets peace and harmony" among all genuin Populists, to the end that we may presena united front to the common enemy. To tain this much desired result we know no is or guide for our action, other than

To tain this much desired result we know no le or guide for our action, other than the institution of this association, which reads follows:

"Aicle 3. section 1. All persons who are edits, business managers or are so substandly connected with reform papers and expaper work that it is their personiousiness, and who are known to be heary in accord with the fundamental prindes enunciated in the St. Louis and Omal platforms, and agree to support the samethall be eligible to membership in the acciation.

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"Seon 2. If any member shall fail or refusio support the demands as provided for ithe preceding section, the association in expel him, or the executive board may spend such person from the privileges the association pending action at the ne meeting of the association.

"Secn 2. That any member of this association having knowledge that there is on the paof any member a radical and persistenticiation of the terms set forth in section of this article shall prefer charges support by documentary proof of such violatic to the executive board, whose duty theupon shall be to thoroughly investigathe same to a speedy conclusion, and fing such charges sustained, shall thereup suspend such person from membership of forthwith notify the person of such suspicion."

Frankurkitt president National Re-

such sussion."
Frankurkitt, president National Reform Pa Association; F. W. D. Mays, vice presnt; J. A. Parker, recording secretary-taurer; John H. Boyd, corresponding retary; James K. Ferriss, P. J. 1270; E. Petriss, Y. B. McElingor, G. E. Kestler, cutive board.

Edit French Talks a Little.

The any was construed as an evasion of the quon, and another telegram was sent at suggestion of Congressman Gunn, of the, but, after the committee prepared the members refused to sign it

Wolf Cans the Lambs.

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Mr. Wolf, of raska, counseled caution. He called intention of the members to the fact of the 155 who participated in the for the meeting here there were but flesent. That ought to be sufficient to mihe others think what they were doing, wanted the members to delay organiziar a time, until next year possibly, an it was found then impossible to wouth the national association, to go aland organize.

Mr. Sanders, of aska, wanted to organize at once, bet the Memphis platform was so prepas to make the limits narrow. He was them wide and liberal. He said thate of the counties of his state had Popt so hidebound and narrow that they ostracised themselves, even from ty, for the reason that they had madenselves unpopular. He believed the Pols were the sait of the earth, and he vid to get them out in as many places saible and get the leaven scattered whe it was possible. He made a strong for the liberality that would populariz organization, and wanted to fuse wit ything that was traveling with his Ptoward Zion and the millennium. He de some cheers.

Then Mr. French, klahoma, bobbed up serenely. No gen had that frets the grassy Oklahoma P has so much ryil mic sweetness aarrench when he is in action. He was fine dudgeon and his mouth went off a loud and resonant crash of words, re was but one path and he said it layn the middle of the road.

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Mr. Sovereign thouga strange spectacle to see the edition a "chicken heart and a pigeon el" and hesitate when duty presented. He wanted a ccalition of all forces were working for a common cause r the Memphis meeting attempted to a hands so he was not allowed to fighth the whole forces of the bimetalli shization then he was against them shited this place as his refuge and hi and railying ground. He talked but, minutes, but said a great deal. Hers from Mr. French, who talked a bortion of the day, westion to see the class of the day.

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The committee on conon reported the following preamble, ed by a full complement of by-laws, preamble needs no introduction. Haccord with the woebegone tone of that platform and a tale of mournful s.

"Realizing the power obress in the education of the people, uniquence in the shaping of governmen by and of or against, the people the subsidized press is wielding a plinituence upon public mind, tendina crince the interests of the great Am people to the demands of the mobwer and realizing that in the unique the reform educational agencies of Continued on Fife.

and the frightened screams of the dancers were heard above the noise of the storm.

GREAT FLOOD OF 1884 LIKELY TO BE EQUALED AT PITTSBURG.

LOSS IS IMMENSE ALREADY.

WATER HAS INVADED THE HEART OF THE SMOKY CITY.

Dozens of Manufacturing Plants Iuundated and Work Stopped-The Flood Still Rising at Cincinnati-Ohio Valley in a Serious Plight.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 23.-The flood now raging here will probably equal the great flood of 1884, which measured thirty-four feet. It is impossible to estimate the damage the present rise is doing, but half a fillion dollars will be putting it mildly to Pittsburg and Allegheny alone. All the ow lands in the vicinity of either of the rivers have been submerged since noon, and it is not expected that the flood will cease creasing until midnight.

More than 10,000 men have been made idle by the rise, as many of the mills are lo-cated on the banks of the streams. The water has invaded the heart of the city and flooded cellars and stopped traffic in many places, notably Sixth and Market streets, popular thoroughfares, A large part of Allegheny has apparently been blotted out, and Exposition park, where the league ball games are played, has vanished, exposing a slight fence line. Many people are made homeless along the banks of the Allegheny river, as the shore is especially low along River avenue and Robinson street, Allegheny, and both thor-

oughfares are thickly populated.

Beginning at Brownsville, on the Mononcahela river, California, Monongahela City, Charleroi, East and West Elizabeth, Port View, McKeesport, Turtle Creek, Bessemer nd many smaller hamlets have been in indated, or partially so, causing much sufering. The stress of the people the night before was awful, as many fled to the hills and remained there all night in the rain and cold rather than trust to their homes. The coal and coke tipple of Browne & Co. fell with a crash above the bridge of

he Wheeling division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at 3 o'clock, and a fleet of eighty coal boats and barges were cut loose from their moorings, completely blocking the channel from bank to bank, threatening all the craft for miles below. about half of the fleet was saved. Several of the traction lines in Allegheny

The plants of the Westinghouse Electric The plants of the Westinghouse Electric Company's meter plant and machine shops at East Pittsburg, covering several acres of ground, are all under water, caused by the backing up of Turtle creek. Hundreds of houses are also under water from this cause. The exposition building is completely surrounded by water. The Oliver Wire and Nail Company's plant, Dilworth Spike Company's works, Finch's distillery, Monongahela Iron and Steel Company, Keystone rolling mill, part of Jones & Laughlin's, Howe Iron Company's, Schoenberger's, Consolidated Steel and Wire Company's Western Steel and Wire Compelled to shut down. The United Cake and Chemical plant at Glassport, has been completely hidden and brobably ruined, involving \$300,000 loss.

At 1 a. m. the river is almost stationary and the worst is believed to be over. The damage along the Monongahela vailey is estimated at not less than a million and a half. In McKeesport alone the damage

dermage along the Monongahela valley is estimated at not less than a million and a half. In McKeesport alone the damage will exceed \$500,000. The flood there rose to a height that broke all records, preventing the running of cars on Fifth avenue, the main thoroughfare of the city, which at one place in the Sixth ward was under four feet of water. Crooked creek empties into the Monongahela near this point.

The plant of the Illuminating Gas Company, near the foot of Walnut street, was flooded and, as a matter of safety, the gas in the tanks was let out, and, as far as residences were concerned, the town was in darkness last night. In the works of the Dewes Wood Company, manufacturers of sheetiron, there was over \$200,000 worth of finished product in the old warehouse, which was partly submerged. The mills were also flooded and great damage done to the machinery. At the Market street side of the mill and on Blackberry alley, as well as on Second avenue, dwelling houses were flooded to above the washboards on the first floor. On Third avenue, near the approach to the suspension bridge, crossing the Youghlogheny to Dravosburg, there is a dip in the grade and it was filled with five feet of water.

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Cincinnati, O., Feb. 23.—Last night, in the absence of news of the great cloudburst at the headwaters of the Mcnongaheia, no one dreamed the river here would reach a maximum of over fifty-five feet. Opinions changed to-day when it was learned that a flood in the Allegheny was coming down just late enough to pile in on that of the Monongaheia. To-night the signal service observer predicts sixty feet will be reached at Cincinnati by to-morrow. At 9 to-night the stage here was fifty-four feet three inches, a rise of three feet in twelve hours, or three inches per hour. Reports to-night from points above show rapid rises from Pittsburg to Cincinnati. However, the headwater streams are falling at Morgantown, stationary at New River and Elizabeth, falling at Louisa, on the Big Sandy, and rising slowly at several other sources or tributaries.

At Calettsburg, Ky., 100 houses are more or less submerged, and a few more feet will affect every business house in the city. Cellars on Front and Third streets at Portismouth are flooded, and many people are driven from their dwellings. Portions of Maysville, Ky., and much of Aberdeen. O., are submerged, driving families from their homes. On the Big Sandy river the villages of Fast Point and Saliyerville have been made uninhabitable. It is reported that a family of six were drowned at Salyerville. At Louisa, Ky., all mails are stopped and all telephone wires are down. The towns of Dayton and Bellevue and portions of Newport, Ky., are already suffering much inconvenience.

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of Dayton and Bellevue and portions of Newport, Ky., are already suffering much inconvenience.

Water in Cincinnati has invaded the Central depot and compelled the Big Four and other roads to seek higher grounds. Gardeners in Mill creek valley are already losing heavily. If the river should reach sixty feet the losses in all the places mentioned above will be greatly increased.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 21.—The river is rising at the rate of two inches an hour and has reached the stage of twenty-four feet. The weather bureau predicts that there will be thirty feet of water on the falls before the rise subsides. In this event, Shippingsport is sure of a wetting, and probably there will be much damage done to the lowlands along the river front hetween Fourth and Seventh streets are seeking higher ground. Specials tonight report damage to farm property and log-booms, but very little loss of life. Abe Reed, a negro, was drowned at Jackson, where the Kentucky river is up thirty-eight feet, flooding the lower part of the town. Farmer, Ky., is almost entirely submerged. Jonas Tyree was drowned in the Powell river, near Donkeyville. A special from Middlesboro says the loss in Southeast Kentucky will reach \$30,600.

TORNADO IN GEORGIA.

Destructive Wind Visits Athens, Scattering Buildings and Frighten-

ing the Populace. Athens, Ga., Feb. 23.-A destructive tornado beat down upon Athens last night. The damage to buildings will amount to The damage to buildings will amount to several thousand dollars. Henderson's warehouse is a wreck and Lucy Cobb Female institute is unroofed. The young ladies were badly frightened and almost a panic ensued. On the college grounds the libray building. Phi Kappa hall and the 'Yahoo' building were unroofed by the fierce wind. In East Athens, a number of houses were blown down. The old Farmers' Alliance warehouse is a complete wreck. No loss of life or injuries to persons is reported.

Consternation took possession of the young gentlemen and ladies of the Cotillion Club, who were dancing at Dupree hall, in an instant the electric lights were out

APPLIED THE TORCH.

Disreputable Houses Burned With Inmates by a Mob in Tyler County, West Virginia.

Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 23.-Intelligence has just reached here of a terrible ca-lamity which occurred Saturday night in the interior of Tyler county, by which number of persons were terribly injured and several lost their lives. In one of the interior oil fields there has been a "speakeasy" and sporting house which incurred and, according to the story which reached here last evening, a number of attempts without avail. On the night in question number of the male population of the little village went to the two houses, which are located side by side, and after warning the inmates of what was going to be done, ap plied a torch to the structure. The people in the houses made no effort to leave and consequently when the fire started they were not prepared to get out as quickly a was necessary under the circumstances. One or two girls in the sporting house are reported to have been burned in the house, and two men are said to have lost their lives in the "speak easy." In addition to this, it is positively known that a number of people were terribly burned, some of them so badly that it is not believed they can recover.

The names of those reported to have been

The names of those reported to have been burned in the fire are: Stella Woods, of Pittsburg; Anna Johnson, of Columbus; John Jackson, of Pennsylvania; Frank Stewart, of Indiana.

The men were both workers in the oil fields and at the time of the fire were sleeping in the rooms over the "speak easy." The names of the parties who were seriously burned in their endeavor to escape from the buildings cannot be learned, but it is known there were five or six of them.

BLOWN UP BY DYNAMITE.

Six Negroes Instantly Killed and Three Fatally Injured Near Murray, Ky., Yesterday.

Murray, Ky., Feb. 23.—Six negroes were instantly killed and several others fatally injured by the explosion of a box of dyna-mite at the N. C. & St. L. railway gravel mite at the N. C. & St. L. railway gravel pit, just south of this city, to-day, about 11:39 o'clock. Those instantly killed were: Major Gardner, Will Morris, Tom Bell. Will Orr, Homer Patterson and Hardi Jackson. Those fatally injured are Tom Guthrie, Frank Hardin and Jim Gardner. Several others received slight injuries.

The explosion was caused by one of the men emptying a box of sawdust which contained a dynamite cap into the fire by which they were endeavoring to thaw out the dynamite. The men killed were sitting around the fire playing cards at the time of the explosion. Will Morris was sitting on a box that contained the deadly explosive. The bodies were horribly mangled and pieces of flesh were scattered all over the pit. Pieces of Morris' body were found as far as 100 yards from the scene of the explosion. A special train came out from Paducah with comins for the dead and physicians and nurses to care for the injured. The latter were taken to Paducah on the train. The box contained about fifty pounds of dynamite.

Neodesha Mill Burned.

Neodesha, Kas., Feb. 22.—(Special.) This morning, between 2 and 3 o'clock, the Kiddoo, Black & Co. flouring mill of this place burned before sufficient aid could be secured to extinguish the flames. The mill land a capacity of 150-barrels per day, and was comparatively new, having been run but cighteen monitas. The origin of the fire is miknown.—The less is about \$20,000, \$3,000 of which was covered by insurance.

Babe Burned to Death.

Versailles, Mo., Feb. 23.—(Special.) The n-months-old child of John Runyan, a farm-er residing a few miles east of this place, in the absence of its parents slipped out of a chair and fell into the fire, and before it could be rescued it was so badly burned about the face and hands that it died a few hours later.

Writ of Habens Corpus Wanted. Fort Scott, Kas., Feb. 23.-(Special.) Hacounty, who is in Jall here charged with the murder of the four McFadden brothers at Frentenac, December 1, 1890. The grounds on which his release is sought is that no evidence was introduced at the preliminary hearing to show that he had committed

Welsh Boys Want a Pardon. Guthrie O. T., Feb. 23.-(Special.) Of the

Ginnie, U. 1., Feb. 25.—(Special.) Of the 112 Oklahoma convicts now serving terms, thirty-nine have filed applications for uncenditional pardons. The last application came to-day. D. C. Lewis, of Oklahoma City, visited the governor on behalf of Henry and Tullis Weish, who robbed a man of \$7.59, for which the court gave them each a life sentence. They are box

each a life sentence. They are boys. Murdered With an Ax.

Independence, Kas., Feb. 23.—(Special.) resterday, while at work together, Will Farbrow and Lee Smith, at Lenapah, I. T., touth of here, got into a dispute. Farbrow, seizing an ax, made an attack on young Smith, inflicting two wounds, one across the side of his head and the other cross his htp. Smith soon died. Farbrow has been arrested. Embezzier Gives Himself Up.

San Francisco, Feb. 22.—Charles B. Mc-Cloy, wanted in Michigan for embezzling \$5,000, surrendered to United States Mar-shal Baldwin to-day. He was assistant cashier in the Second National bank, of Bay City, Mich. He fled from the town and has been traveling around the world since. The money has been spent.

For Passing Bad Money.

Sedalia, Mo., Feb. 23.—(Special.) John Faulkner, colored, was arrested here today by Deputy United States Marshal Johnson on the charge of passing counter-test money at Isaac Atkin's store. Faulkner was taken to Clinton to-night and will be arraigned before Commissioner Jeffreys to-morrow.

to-morrow. Shot Her Husband in the Mouth.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 21.-Mrs. Mary Boh-Cleveland, O., Feb. 23.—Mars. Mary Bon-nert, as the result of a quarrel, shot her husband, Bernhart Bohnert, this evening, at their home, 142 Vega avenue. The builet entered the man's mouth and lodged in the neck. He is at the hospital in a critical condition and the woman is under arrest.

Missing Girl Located.

Sedalia, Mo., Feb. 23.—(Special.) Louise Rugan, the 17-year-old girl of John Rugan, who mysteriously disappeared from home last Friday afternoon, has been located at Warrensburg, where she was induced to go by a young man of this city. She will be returned to be parents

Funeral of Dr. L. R. Yates.

Cholera in India. Calcutta. Feb. 21.—Cholera has broken out among the people employed on the re-lief works of the native state of Rewah. In two days 160 deaths have occurred.

Moscow. Feb. 22.—The report that Dr. William Steinitz, the cheer player, is dead is untrue. He is still in a hospital suffering from a serious mental malady.

Fatal Domestic Quarrel.

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 23.—Abraham Ta-bit, the head of a Syrian family that locat-ed here two years ago, got lato a quarrel with his wife to-day and stabbed her in the abdomen. He stabbed himself two or three times in the same place. She may live, but he will probably die. Washington, Feb. 23.-Fitzhugh Lee, onsul general of the United States at Havana, has resigned, but has been requested to remain at his post for a time, at least. The following cablegram was this morning received at the state department:
"Havana, Feb. 22. For Killing His Sweetheart.

"Secretary of State. "My resignation mailed per steamer. Chicago, Feb. 23.—Carl Carlson, who shot and killed his sweetheart, Laura Thornton, November 5 last, was to-day sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary. Carlson pleaded guilty to the charge and said jeal-ousy drove him to the crime.

"My resignation mailed per steamer.

Secretary Olney replied to this almost immediately, urging General Lee to withhold his resignation until something could be done, and declaring that his retirement at this time and in such a manner "would cause untold trouble."

After sending his dispatch, Secretary Olney hurried over to the White House with General Lee's telegram in his pocket, and talked over the situation with President Cleveland for nearly an hour before the other members of the cabinet arrived to attend the regular meeting.

The president fully approved of Mr. Olney's action in requesting General Lee to withdraw his resignation for the present. The matter was not laid before the cabinet. Hiawatha, Kas., Feb. 22.—(Special.) The funeral of the late Dr. L. R. Yates, exmayor of Hiawatha, took place this afterneon. The M. E. church was crowded, many being unable to get in. The G. A. R. and Masonic lodge conducted the services at the grave.

GENERAL LEE RESIGNS. Secretary Olney Requests Him to Remain and He Is Likely to

Do It.

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Havana, Feb. 21.—The Associated Press correspondent saw Consul General Lee this evening for the fourth time to-day. Thomas G. Alvord, correspondent of the New York World, was present at the time that General Lee was interviewed. General Lee was reserved, until shown cablegrams explaining the dispatches received in New

hen said; will resign if not sustained by the department. Until now I have not received an answer. The question at issue was not the death of Ruiz, but related to Charles Franklin Scott, who was thirteen days incomunicado. I asked that he be placed comunicado immediately. Scott is already comunicado and the question has lost its importance."

DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION.

Reports Show the National Organization to Be in a Prosperous Condition.

Washington, Feb. 23.-The Daughters of the American Revolution were late in opening to-day's proceedings. There was considerable confusion in the audience during the meeting and the presiding offieer, Mrs. Stevenson, had much difficulty in preserving order and quiet. The important business of the day was the subnission of annual reports and of the conclusions of the committee to recommend officers for the enseing year. The work of the organization was reviewed by Jennie P. Hichborn, of this city, vice president general in charge of organization. She re ported 118 organized chapters added to the roll, making a total of 346. Four state reroll, making a total of 3%. Four state regents and 120 chapter regents have been appointed and confirmed, making a total of 46 state and 511 chapter regents.

The recording secretary general, Charlotte E. Main, of this city, reported a membership of 18,000, a gain of 5,000, or 2,000 more than during any previous year. During the year 122 chapters have been granted.

ed.

As to the consolidation with the Daughters of the Revolution, the report said the union was hoped for in the near future, and a basis of union of the two societies would be read before the close of the week for the action of the congress. Elizabeth Bryant Johnston reported briefly on the historical work of the society. Treasurer General Belle M. Draper, of Washington, in her report, showed total assets of \$25,415. Total receipts for the year were \$25,848.

Mrs. Ritchie read the report of the committee on the recommendations of the national officers. Among the recommendations submitted were that the office of surgeon general be abolished; that the price of the lineage book be raised to an amount sufficient to cover its cost; that chapter names be not duplicated, and that a record of deaths, births and marriages be kept.

To-night Mrs. Adlai Stevenson, the president general, gave the congress a reception at the Normandie. As to the consolidation with the Daugh-

M'KINLEY WORSE AGAIN.

resources of the people, who have sworn to the complete destruction of the island before they will submit anew to the domi-nation of Spain. Suffered a Slight Relapse Yesterday, but Will Be Well for the In-"Each day that passes causes fresh hatred and devastation. Soon the produc-

auguration. Canton, O., Feb. 23.-The instructions of he atterding physician at the McKinley residence that no one shall see the presi-dent-elect except members of his household and those who come on special invita-tion are being strictly adhered to. Dr. Phillips, when he called this morning, found als patient but very little better than yesterday and no more inclined to receive visitors than a week ago. It is believed the conferences he held last week and Sunday were too great a tax upon him, and he today suffered a slight relapse. The physi-

"Sancti Spiritus, January 27, 1897."
This letter, which is forwarded by Sylvester Scovel, the Warld's correspondent now imprisoned at Sancti Spiritus, was, it is stated, obtained exactly one week before be was caught, while trying to reach the sea coast. He had forwarded a copy by a pactice to be cabled to his paper. This messenger was also captured by the Spanish, and the contents of his dispatches were cabled to Senor De Lome. Spanish minister

ish, and the contents of his dispatches were cabled to Senor De Lome. Spanish minister at Washington. The original documents, including the letters in the original Spanish, were only received this afternoon. In his letter accompanying them, Sylvester Scovel writes:

"The Cubans can afford to pay a very large amount, and I am in a position to state that they will do so. Cuba will accept any peaceable means laid down by the United States that will secure their independence. Last year General Gomez authorized the statement that, in his opinion, the Cubans would even go so far as to allow the United States to administer the finances of the island until such time as any loan secured from or in that country should be repaid." SAYS IT IS SPANISH BOODLE.

General Bradley T. Johnson Explains

Administration. St. Louis, Feb. 23.-General Bradley T. Johnson, of Virginia, has written a decid-edly sensational letter on the Cuban question to John F. Cahill, secretary of the Na tional Cuban Relief commission. General Johnson is a personal friend of General

tional Cuban Relief commission. General Johnson is a personal friend of General Fitzhugh Lee, United States consul general to Cuba. He was invited to todress a Cuban mass meeting, but was unable to be present. He sent a letter, which arrived to day, from which the following extracts are taken:

"John Randolph's sreer about the combination between the Puritan and the blackleg, Quincy Adams and Henry Clay, would be changed into a horse laugh at this new firm of the president and the inquisition—the successor of George Washington in alliance with the grand inquisition. Explain this mystery.

"Make it known to all men that the money of Spain permeates the most secret recesses of the administration—that our assistant secretary of the treasury is the regularly retained counsel of the Spanish consul at the city of New York and that the counsel of the Spanish embassy in Washington has just been assigned by the attorney general of the United States to assist plain and prevent the Cubans from getting ammunition from the United States, but it actually directs the operations of grand juries and of courts.

"I do not believe that such a thing ever occurred in an English speaking court before since such juries were invented—that foreign sovereigns would appear by counsel in a prosecution of a private citizen by his own government and assist that government in executing its own laws, when at any moment war may break out between the two countries.

"ERADLEY T. JOHNSON." "Richmond, Va., Feb. 18." opening these lands on the ground that they contained valuable mineral deposits. Mr. Vilas endeavored to have a royalty reserved to the government, but was defeated in this, and the clause was agreed to after an all-day debate.

During the day a resolution by Mr. Mills, of Texas, was adopted asking the president for information as to the death of Dr. Ruiz at Guanabascoa. Cuba.

Mr. Morrill. Republican, of Vermont, announced a Cuban speech on Thursday.

In the course of the debate, Mr. Wilson, Republican, of Washington, alluded to the president's order of yesterday withdrawing from the public domain 21,000,000 acres of land and constituting various forest reservations.

Mr. Cannon declared there was not the slightest knowledge of the subject on the part of the order making the designated as forest land, when in fact, there was no timber on it larger than a jackrabbit bush.

The amendment opening the Uncompahgre reservation was agreed to, it to is.

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SOME FACTS CONCERNING KANSAS UNIVERSITY.

PARSIMONY ARGUED AGAINST.

CHANCELLOR SNOW ISSUES AN AD-DRESS TO LEGISLATORS.

Cutting of Salaries and Appropriations Sure to Cripple the Institution, Which Already Costs Much Less Than Others of Its Class.

Lawrence, Kas., Feb. 23.-(Special.) Chauellor F. H. Snow, of Kansas university, o-day sent a copy of the following address to each member of the Kansas legislature:

"In the address of the Hon. William J. Bryan in the hall of representatives, on the 19th inst., it was stated 'that every well-meaning member of congress, or of any other legislative body, ought to be willing, ought to be glad, ought to be anxious, to have both sides of every question fully presented so that he can under-stand the merits of the measure under cou-

"As the chief executive officer of the University of Kansas, I desire to briefly state a few facts in reference to this institution. "The University of Kansas, although maintaining a high rank among other state iniversities in this country, has attained its honorable position by the expenditure of a much smaller amount of money, both for current expenses and for permanent versity with which it can justly be com-

"Since the year 1890 the attendance of students has more than doubled, but the total annual expenditure for current expenses is only one-third greater than in the fiscal year 180-91. For the past two years Kansas has appropriated \$168,000 annum for current expenses, while Nebraska, with one-half our taxable valuation, furnishes \$160,000 for her university. Oklahoma Territory imposes a ½ mill tax for the running expenses of her university. The same tax in Kansas would produce 3170,000 for the maintenance of the uni-

"The salaries paid at the University of Kansas are much lower than the average salaries paid at the lifteen state universities named in the accompanying table. From this table it will be seen that the salary of the president of the University of Kansas is \$500 below the average salary of the same officer in the fifteen universi-ties named; while the salaries of full pro-

day suffered a slight relapse. The physician still maintains that there is nothing apprehensive in Major McKinley's state of health, and that he will be fully able to go to Washington on next Monday.

"Only absclute rest and freedom from official or other cares will leave him strong enough for the coming ceremonies. We want to inaugurate a well man on March 4; we will do so, and there need be no fear in that direction."

Among the morning callers at the McKinley home was ex-Senator Sabin, of Stillwater, Minn. He was accompanied by Hon. Snyder, of Minneapolis. Ex-Senator Sabin was in conference with Private Secretary James Boyle, to whom nearly all the callers are referred.

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Buty on Oranges and Lemons.

Washington. Feb. 23.—The Republican tariff framers made an important step in the interest of the California fruit growers to-day by establishing rates on oranges, lemons and limes, which are in advance of the McKinley duties on these fifted on. The present rates are 8 cents a cubic foot.

SLOW PROGRESS IN SENATE.

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